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On the other hand, it is to be said that this series of a dozen or more independent studies of various legal systems, from Assurbani-pal to Bracton, presents clearly and succinctly the principal facts of those systems, and, taken together, constitutes a valuable and interesting record of the ever-futile, but never ceasing struggle of humanity to combine justice with the demands of a progressive society. The work evinces extensive and careful reading in more than one literature, and a considerable acquaintance with the usual sources of information (the curious statement of the preface that the text "is generally based upon original research," is obviously not to be understood in the usual sense of those terms) but displays no unusual grasp or insight into legal relations. In short, the book is not the work of a jurist, but of a historian—a competent one, it is true, with a gift for exposition and the faculty of easy narration. It will not serve the purposes of the scholar, but the professional reader will find in it abundant matter of interest and instruction.

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